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SUBJECT: IMCO COUNCIL PRESIDENCY

1. IMCO COUNCIL PRESIDENT EDWARDS (US) WILL COMPLETE SECOND TERM AT TIME OF ELECTION OF NEW COUNCIL AT 9TH IMCO ASSEMBLY IN NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR. OUR ASSUMPTION AT TIME OF EDWARDS RE-ELECTION FOR SECOND TERM IN 1973 WAS THAT TWO TERMS WAS APPROPRIATE TENURE FOR THIS OFFICE, AND THAT HE WOULD BE SUCCEEDED THEREAFTER. THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT SOUNDINGS, HOWEVER, ABOUT PROSPECT OF EDWARDS RETAINING POSITION THROUGH NEXT TWO YEAR TERM.

2. ATTITUDE OF EDWARDS, IN WHICH USG CONCURS, IS THAT HIS RE-ELECTION WOULD HAVE TO BE RESULT OF UNANIMOUS DESIRE OF NEW COUNCIL NEXT NOVEMBER AND NOT RESULT OF COMPETITIVE CAMPAIGN. SHOULD THERE BE DRAFT, EDWARDS PERSONALLY IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT FURTHER TERM. HE WILL HAVE STRONG SUPPORT OF USG IN DOING SO.

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3. US REACTIONS TO INITIAL SOUNDINGS HAVE BEEN NON-COMMITTAL, AWAITING CONSULTATION WITH EDWARDS AND CONSIDERATION

WHICH HAS NOW TAKEN PLACE WITHIN USG. WE FEEL IMCO SECRETARY GENERAL SRIVASTAVA, WHO IS ESPECIALLY CONCERNED WITH QUESTION, SHOULD BE APPRISED OF THIS, AND DEPTOFF INSTRUCTED TO DO SO WHILE IN LONDON THIS MONTH FOR MARITIME SATELLITE CONFERENCE.

4. FYI. IT IS OUR OBJECTIVE TO SECURE RE-ELECTION OF EDWARDS. WE DO NOT BELIEVE RE-ELECTION FEASIBLE IF STRONG QUALIFIED CANDIDACIES PRESENTED BY OTHERS, BUT HAVE INDICATIONS THESE ARE NOT LIKELY TO MATERIALIZE. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH IMCO SECRETARIAT AND OTHER NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES, THEREFORE, EMBASSY SHOULD BE CAREFUL TO REFRAIN FROM CONSIDERATION OF OTHER CANDIDATES, SHOULD NOT CONTEST VIEW SOME MAY HOLD THAT TWO TERM PRECEDENT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN IMCO, BUT SHOULD NOT BE UNCLEAR ABOUT WHETHER EDWARDS AVAILABLE IF COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY FELT THIS WOULD BE IN BEST INTEREST OF THE ORGANIZATION. USG IS GRATEFUL FOR PREPAREDNESS IT SOLICITED FROM EDWARDS TO RESUME THIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR FURTHER TERM IN OFFICE, AND BACKGROUND COMMENTS SHOULD STRESS THAT OBJECTIVE WOULD BE TO PROVIDE IMCO WITH CONTINUED GOOD LEADERSHIP FOR TRYING TWO YEAR TERM WHICH MAY LIE AHEAD. END FYI KISSINGER

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